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For : BACKLIGHT DEVICE AND DISPLAY DEVICE HAVING THE SAME

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed on June 8, 2006, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner a Korean Office Action dated December 7, 2006, with respect to patent family member Korean Patent Application No. 10-2006-7005043, in which the following document was cited:

(1) Korean Patent Publication No. KR 2002-0061834 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicant notes that this document is a patent family member of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0130628 and Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2002-231034, which were previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on June 8, 2006.

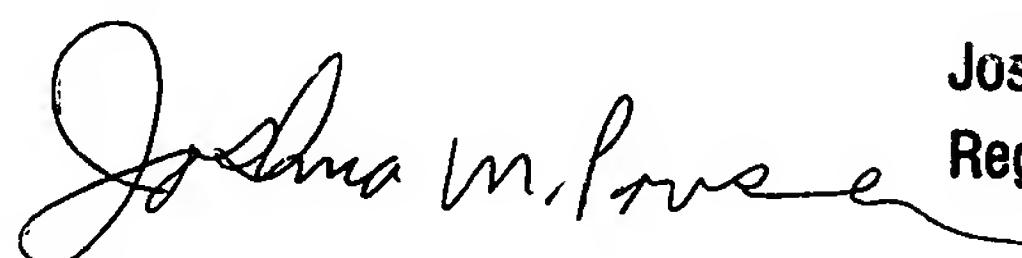
The relevance of this document, as ascertained with respect to the Korean claims by the Korean Examiner, is set forth in the Korean Office Action.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of above-noted document (1), including the noted English language Abstract, is attached hereto, and is listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Korean Office Action and an English language translation thereof are also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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